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SUBJECT: FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE - LOMBARDY REGIONAL PRESIDENT
GOLFARI AND GROUP

REF A. MILAN 1341 (NOTAL) B. STATE 156637 (NOTAL)

1. SUMMARY: GOLFARI GROUP GENERALLY VERY PLEASED
WITH PROPOSED DOT ITINERARY (REF B), THOUGH GROUP
WOULD LIKE SEVERAL MINOR CHANGES. PARTY ESPECIALLY
HOPES TO VISIT NORAD OUTSIDE DENVER. WE CONTINUE
TO BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT THAT GROUP BE ACCOMPANIED
BY FAIRLY HIGH LEVEL ESCORT KNOWLEDGEABLE IN
TRANSPORTATION FIELD AS WELL AS INTERPRETER.
NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS NOW FIXED AT THIRTEEN IN-
CLUDING TWO WIVES. END SUMMARY.

2. GOLFARI GROUP, AFTER CLOSE LOOK AT PROPOSED DOT
SCHEDULE AND DISCUSSIONS WITH TWA AS WELL AS OURSELVES,
WOULD LIKE MINOR SCHEDULE CHANGES. FIRST TWO
DAYS (SEPTEMBER 7 - 8) WULD REMAIN SAME.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 (LOS ANGELES), GROUP

HOPES TO DO BOTH ACTIVITIES NOW SCHEDULED FOR NINTH AND MORNING OF TENTH (CALIFORNIA STATE HIGHWAY AND CONTAINER AND TRUCKING OPERATIONS). ON MORNING OF FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10, GROUP WOULD DEPART FOR LAS VEGAS, STAYING THERE UNTIL MORNING OF SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 12. WHILE IN LAS VEGAS, GROUP PLANS TO TAKE SCENIC AIRLINES OVERLIGHT OF GRAND CANYON (PROBABLY SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11). IF NORAD VISIT CAN BE ARRANGED (SEE BELOW), GROUP WOULD LEAVE LAS VEGAS SUNDAY AT 8:30 A.M. AND ARRIVE DENVER AT 11:05, SEE NORAD, THEN LEAVE DENVER AT 17:00 TO ARRIVE CHICAGO AT 20:12 SAME DAY. ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 13, ACTIVITIES NOW SCHEDULED FOR TWO DAYS WOULD BOTH OCCUR ON ONE: VISIT TO TRAIN COMMUTER RAILROADS AND FREIGHT OPERATION (NOW SCHEDULED FOR 13TH) AND OBSERVATION OF TRAFFIC AND CONTROL OPERATIONS AT O'HARE AIRPORT (NOW SCHEDULED FOR 14TH). GROUP WOULD LEAVE FOR WASHINGTON AT 19:20 SAME DAY (13TH) ARRIVING AT 22:00. ON TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH, BRIEFING AT DOT AND TOUR OF NEW SUBWAY. ON WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 15, URBAN ORGANIZATIONS AND STATE LOBBY GROUPS IN MORNING. IN AFTERNOON, SIGHTSEEING TOUR WITH STOP AT CAPITOL TO MEET WITH CONGRESSMEN (SEE BELOW). VISIT BY GOLFARI TO HIGH-RANKING STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS WOULD OCCUR ON ONE OF THESE TWO DAYS

(SEE BELOW). ON THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16, LEAVE ON EARLY MORNING METROLINER FOR PHILADELPHIA TO MEET WITH PLANNING COMMISSION TRAVEL ON LINDEWOLD LINE, THEN CONTINUE ON METROLINER TO NEWYORK. ON FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 17, ASSESSORE FOR RANSPORT FABIO SAMENZA WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH MR. G. LAM, DIRECTOR, MIDTOWN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, IN MAYOR'S OFFICE. SAMENZA MET LAM ON VISIT BY LATTER TO MILAN. CAN DOT PLEASE CONTACT LAM? PERHAPS DOT CULD ALSO SUGGEST ONE OR TWO OTHER APPOINTMENTS FOR THAT DAY IN NEW YORK. GROUP PLANS TO SPEND FOLLOWING DAY (SATURDAY) ALSO IN NEW YORK, LEAVING IN EVENING FOR MILAN.

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3. WE SEE NOTHING IN REF B ABOUT MEETINGS FOR GOLFARI WITH SATE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS, AS RECOMMENDED IN REFERENCE A. WE ASSUME THIS IS OVERSIGHT AND THAT MEETINGS WILL OCCUR.

4. WE ALSO RECOMMENDED IN REF A THAT PARTY VISIT NORAD OUTSIDE DENVER, VISIT WHICH GROUP IS KEEN

TO MAKE. PLEASE ADVISE IF THIS IS POSSIBLE. NOTE THAT, UNFORTUNATELY, ONLY TIME AVAILABLE FOR PARTY TO STOP IN DENVER IS SUNDAY. IF NORAD VISIT IMPOSSIBLE, GROUP WOULD SIMPLY SPEND ANOTHER DAY IN LAS VEGAS.

5. WITH REGARD TO VISITS TO CONGRESSMEN, WE WROTE JULY 6 TO CONGRESSMAN JOHN J. MCFALL, CHAIRMAN OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION OF HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, AND SENATOR BIRCH BAYH, WHO HOLDS SAME CHAIRMANSHIP IN SENATE, TO ASK THEM TO RECEIVE GOLFARI AND GROUP. WE TOLD THEM WE WERE ASKING STATE OR DOT TO CONTACT THEIR STAFFS TO ARRANGE MEETINGS.

6. WE CONTINUE TO THINK IT IMPORTANT THAT GROUP BE ACCOMPANIED BY FAIRLY HIGH-LEVEL ESCORT KNOWLEDGEABLE IN TRANSPORTATION FIELD. WE ARE UNABLE TO TELL FROM REFERENCE B WHETHER ESCORT-INTERPRETER MENTIONED THEREIN IS SUCH A PERSON. PLEASE CLARIFY.

7. GOLFARI GROUP HAS GIVEN US NEW ESTIMATE OF NUMBER OF TRIP PARTICIPANTS. THEY STAND NOW AT 13 (REDUCED FROM ABOUT 20), INCLUDING TWO WIVES. THEY ARE: PRESIDENT OF REGIONAL CESARE GOLFARI (DC), VICE PRESIDENT OF REGION GIORGIO GANGI (PSI), PRESIDENT OF REGIONAL COUNCIL SERGIO MARVELLI (PSI), PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL'S TRANSPORT COMMISSION GIORGIO MORPURGO (PCI), REGIONAL ASSESSORE FOR TRANSPORT FABIO SEMENZA (PRI),

AND SIX AIDES AND TECHNICAL EXPERTS FROM REGIONAL TRANSPORT AND TERRITORIAL PLANNING OFFICES. WE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARE AWAITING NAMES OF THOSE IN LATTER GROUP AND WILL SUBMIT BIO INFORMATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: CLARIFICATION ON QUESTIONS RAISED ABOVE. PARSONS

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